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performance. Dozens of the auditors

hissed. At length only one man was

noticed as maintaining an absolute si-lence. At last the man who sat by this

"'Why don't you join in the fun?

"Well, I came in on a pass, but if they don't improve darned if I don't go out and buy a ticket and begin on 'em."

When I was a joing n an," said Jonathan Graya

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Woman Defends the First Man Free Charges of Cowardice. And the Lord sat I, "Hast thou ente

of the tree whereof I commanded thee thou shoulder not cat?" The man said, "The woman whom thou gavest to be with me—she gave me of the tree and I did eat." This, it has been held for centuries, was Adam's great sin, for which he was driven out of the garden and his descendants, even to the present gen-eration, compelled to work for a living. In addition to bearing the consequences of his error Adam has been denounced through all succeeding centuries for his cowardice and lack of gallantry in trying to throw the blame upon the woman who had been given to be with him-"God's first, best gift to man."

We are glad, therefore, that even after 6,000 years of unmerited condemnation which the memory of our great progenitor has had to bear there has arisen one person who dares to speak for him. It word cramp him all sp it a collicay way. And it is all the more fortunate that the sex whom Adam's words, by a Entithe pills in the pow-a-days by sensible folks wrong interpretation, were held to have Are as easy to take and as pleasant as jokes."

maligned. This person is Mrs. Caroline
F. Corbin, a distinguished authoress. In
her latest book she says of Adam's pleas:

"This is not the expression of cowardice, but of the innocent and native places of the innocent and native places."

Mrs. Caroline
Of course, the kind referred to by Wr Gray
was Dr. Purce'. Pleasant Pelets, the very best
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money is returned. belief that anything which this lovely being, fresh from God's hand, proposed must be right, and right or wrong must be done. It is a trait which has come down in unbroken continuity of inheritance to the latest born of Adam's ROCK ISLAND COUNTY.

inheritance to the latest born of Adam's sons."

The thought is a new one, but there is not a man alive and capable of appreciating Mrs. Corbin's argument who will not indorse it. Where is there a man today, barring a few crusty old bachelors, who would not have done the same thing under like circumstances? The woman was beautiful, the apple was good, and Adam was an unsophisticated, ingenious young man unaccustomed to the little social arts and deceptions that the daughters of Mother Eve have learned from her example.

We insist that Adam is vindicated, and that Mark Twain's tears over his grave were a deserved tribute. Now, let the building of his monument proceed. And let it be recorded thereon that "he was a kind, loving and obedient husband."—Troy Times.

A cigar dealer was recently compelled to move from his down town stand, which he had occupied for 35 years, because of the demolition of the old build-which he had occupied for 35 years, because of the demolition of the old build-which he had occupied for 35 years, because of the demolition of the old build-which he had occupied for 35 years, because of the demolition of the old build-which he had occupied for 35 years, because of the demolition of the old build-which he had occupied for 35 years, because of the demolition of the old build-which he had occupied for 35 years, because of the demolition of the old build-which he had occupied for 35 years, because of the demolition of the old build-which he had occupied for 35 years, because of the demolition of the old build-which he had occupied for 35 years, because of the demolition of the old build-which he had occupied for 35 years, because of the demolition of the old build-which he had occupied for 35 years, because of the demolition of the old build-which he had occupied for 35 years, because of the demolition of the old build-which he had occupied for 35 years, because of the demolition of the old build-which he had occupied for 35 years, because of the demolition of the old build-which he had occup

which he had occupied for 35 years, be-cause of the demolition of the old build-

He packed his belongings with many a sigh of regret. When he had got his a sigh of regret. When he had got his things all out, he turned to the workmen, who were waiting to begin tearing down the building, and remarked in a rather sarcastic tone:

"Well, boys, you may have all you find in this old trap."

The workmen began on the old floor, which had been worn into hollows by age. It had not been replaced since it was originally laid.

One of the men ripped up a board with his crowbar, raising a cloud of dust, when he got it out of his eyes, he saw something shiny in the crack.

He picked it up, and it proved to be a dime. Further investigation revealed the fact that the crack was lined with silver.

This was an incentive to the workmen. They plied their crowbars with remarkable energy for men poorly paid. In this instance they were amply rewarded.

In every crack of the floor silver dimes were found. Some of them bore dates of nearly half a century ago. The men follows: Begin ing. Also the west twenty-sever formed as the contract of the painty-line interest of said section, bunded as of nearly half a century ago. The men things all out, he turned to the work-

In every crack of the floor silver dimes were found. Some of them bore dates of nearly half a century ago. The men gathered the coin in handfuls.

The cigar dealer, in speaking of the occurrence, said that he hadn't the slightest idea that so much money could be lost through carelesaness and a poor floor even in 35 years.

"But it won't happen again," he said. "When I heard of it, I immediately gave orders to have my new store refloored with hard wood, and no cracks, at my own expense."—New York Herald.

A Striking Presentiment.

It is curious how future events are occasionally prefigured by some anticipatory token which, unlike presentiments and premonitory dreams, makes perhaps no impression at the time on those whom they concern.

Here is a striking example. One of Charles Dickens' sons, from some childish oddity of expression in his large, wondering eyes, was given by his father the year, and the west twenty-of said southwest quarter section, bounded as follows: Beginning at a stone act for the south-west order of said shockest quarter section, bounded as follows: Beginning at a stone act for the south-west order of said shockest quarter section, bounded as follows: Beginning at a stone act for the south-west order as all shockest quarter section, unning thence the south-west order as all shockest as a strike a gain as \$2.00 calls (19 ab cas); thence south rifects and \$4.-10 chs; thence, south rifects and \$4.-1

dering eyes, was given by his father the very unique sobriquet of the "Ocean Specter," by which he was always called. The great novelist never knew of the weird significance his playfully bestowed appellation was to bear, for he himself had been nearly two years in his grave at the time his little "Ocean Specter," then a lieutenant in the royal navy, died and was buried at sea.—London Tit-Bits.

Two eminent French gentle were great friends, used to relate an amusing story of their impecunious days. Neither fame nor fortune had come to them, but they were always hopeful. The years had weighed heavily enough upon Jules, however, for him to have become entirely baid. One day Alphonse met him with a beaming countenance and cried gayly: "What do you think, Jelest I have been beying a strong box!" Then, Alphouse," re-plied Jules firmly, "I shall buy a hair-brush."—Argonaut.

George Eliot suffered from melanchol-ic moods, and from her thirtieth year had severe attacks of beadache. As a child she was poor in health and ex-tremely sonstitive to terror in the night. She remained a quivering fear through-out her whole life.—New York Times.

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